

AWARDS

Reference: CAP Regulation 39-3

1. Awards are one of the methods available to recognize Civil Air Patrol members for their heroism, service, and program achievements and accomplishments.
2. There will not go into a lot of detail on awards, just give a listing of the awards and a reference to the directive that gives the requirements for obtaining them. Remember, this is only a guide, where I'm giving references to help find answers and prerequisites.
3. There are forms in the Commanders Packet II to assist the individual keep track of that particular award in paragraph 7 and 8.
4. The following is a listing of decorations, as referenced in CAP Regulation 39-3. To earn these awards, criteria in paragraph 9 must be followed. A CAP Form 120 (Recommendation for Decoration), must be initiated by competent authority, and sent through the channel for approval:

- a. Silver Medal of Valor
- b. Bronze Medal of Valor
- c. Distinguished Service Medal
- d. Exceptional Service Medal
- e. Meritorious Service Medal
- f. Commander's Commendation
- h. Lifesaving Award
- i. Unit Citation Award

5. The following is a listing of the Senior Program Awards, that can be earned by the individuals progressing in the Senior Training Program (Reference: CAP Regulation 50-17):

- a. Gill Robb Wilson Award (Level V)
- b. Paul E. Garber Award (Level IV)
- c. Grover Leoning Aerospace Award (Level III)
- d. Certificate of Proficiency (Level II)
- e. Leadership Award (Level II)

f. Membership Award (Level I)

6. **BRIGADIER GENERAL CHARLES E. ‘CHUCK’ YEAGER AEROSPACE EDUCATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:** check paragraph 16, CAP Reg. 39-3 for details for testing and the awarding of the ribbon and certificate. (Wing Director of Aerospace Education has final approving authority for this award).

7. **RED SERVICE RIBBON:** The Red Service Ribbon is the longevity award for Civil Air Patrol (see paragraph 21.b., CAP Regulation 39-3 for more information on this award). A GP 12 FL 305 is available in the Commander Packet II to help the individual keep track of each increment of this award up to 30 years. (Unit commander has final approving authority).

8. The following is a listing of **Activity Ribbons**, that an individual can earn by following the criteria shown in the reference directive. Check the reference directive to see if it awarded to a **Cadet and Seniors. The final approving authority will be listed after each award.**

a. **Search “Find” Ribbon**, see paragraph 21.d., CAP Reg. 39-3. (Unit commander).

b. **Air Search and Rescue Ribbon**, check paragraph 21.c. for additional information. The GP 12 Form 308 is located in the Commanders Packet II to keep track of the award. (Wing Director of Operations).

c. **Counter Narcotics Ribbon**, check paragraph 21.e., CAP Reg. 39-3. The GP 12 Form 306 is located in the Commanders Packet II to keep track of this award. (Wing Director of Counter Narcotics).

d. **Disaster Relief Ribbon**, see paragraph 21.f., CAP Reg. 39-3. The GP 12 Form 307 is located in the Commanders Packet II to keep track of this award. (Wing Director of Operations).

e. **Cadet Orientation Pilot Ribbon**, check paragraph 21.h., CAP Reg. 39-3 for details on the awarding of this ribbon. (Seniors Only). (Wing Director of Operations).

f. **International Air Cadet Exchange Ribbon**, check paragraph 20.a., CAP Reg. 39-3 for information on this award. (Wing Director of Cadet Programs)

g. **Cadet Special Activity Ribbon**, check paragraph 20.d., CAP Reg. 39-3, for the listing of the 15 special activities this ribbon covers.

h. **Encampment Ribbon**, see paragraph 20.e., CAP Reg. 39-3. (Unit Commander).

i. **Senior Recruiting Ribbon**, check paragraph 21.k.(2), CAP Reg. 39-3 for additional information on this award. A form is available in the Commanders Packet II to keep track of the recruiting progress (GP 12 Form 301). GP 12 Form 302 is also available for seniors to earn the recruiting clasp (Unit Commander).

A CAP Form 2a (Request for and Approval of Personnel Action), will be completed by the unit personnel officer, and will be sent to through channels to the final approving authority. **Be sure to make a copy for the suspense action, also be sure to attach all supporting documents.**

9. The following is listing of Aeronautical Rating, Emergency Service, and Ground Team Badges

that can be earned as a member of Civil Air Patrol (Reference: CAP Reg. 35-6).

AERONAUTICAL RATINGS:

- a. CAP Pilot
 - b. CAP Senior Pilot
 - c. CAP Command Pilot
 - d. Glider Pilot
 - e. CAP Balloon Pilot
 - f. CAP Observer
 - g. CAP Senior Observer
 - h. CAP Master Observer
10. **Emergency Services Qualification Badge**, has three levels of qualification, basic, senior and master. Criteria for this badge can be found in CAP Reg. 35-6.
11. **Ground Team Badge**, also has three level of qualification , basic, senior and master. Check the reference directive for information on this badge (Ref: CAP Reg. 35-6).
12. Procedures for awarding of the Aeronautical Ratings, Emergency Services, and Ground team Badges will be found in CAP Regulation 35-6. Approving authority for all aeronautical ratings will be the Wing Commander with verification by the Wing Director of Operations. **Always attach supporting documents to awards. Approving authority for Emergency Services and Ground Team Badges is the Wing Director of Emergency services.**
13. **Safety Badge**: The Safety Badge come in three tiers of qualification, basic, senior, and master. For qualification procedures, see CAP Regulation 62-1.
14. **Aerospace Education Specialty Badge**: This badge has three levels of qualification, basic, senior, and master. For qualification procedure, see CAP Regulation 280-2.
15. **Cadet Programs Badge**: The Cadet Programs Badge comes in three levels, basic, senior, and master. Qualification procedures are contained in CAP Regulation 52-16.
16. **Communications Badge**: This badge has three tiers to qualify in, basic, senior, and master. Criteria for this award are listed in CAP Regulation 100-1, Volume 1.
17. **A. Scott Crossfield Award**: Awarded by National Headquarters to members who have earned the **Master Level Rating** in the **Aerospace Education Specialty track and served as Aerospace Education Officer. Reference : paragraph 17, CAP Reg. 39-3.**
18. For more information on the subject check the reference directives.